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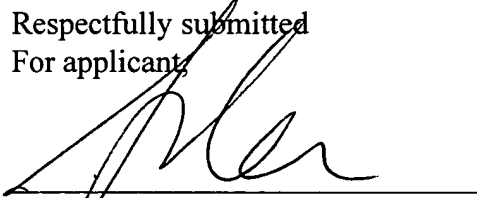
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant respectfully requests that the documents listed in the attached form PTO-1449 be made of record and considered in connection with the examination of this application. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed.

These documents were cited in the International Search Report (a copy is attached to the Published A1 International Application) issued in the PCT International Application.

With the submission of this admitted prior art, applicants thus comply with the duty of disclosure as set forth at 37 C.F.R. 1.56.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached form PTO-1449 with initials or other appropriate marks.

Respectfully submitted  
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